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Title : Need to take steps to re-start the industries at Nagpur, Hingana, Kutibori and Kamleshwar and demand for the creation of a seperate State of Vidarbha.

SHRI VILAS MUTTEMWAR : Mr. Chairman, Sir, through you I would like to request the Government that Vidarbha region has always been neglected. The consequences of such an apathy are before you. Out of 52 farmers who have committed suicide in Maharashtra 46, are from Vidarbha region. Due to such apathy, workers of this area are facing starvation. This indifferÂent attitude is giving rise to imbalance and resentment. Nagpur, Hingna, Butibori and Kalmshwar industrial esÂtates are situated in Vidarbha region. Due to lack of attention, industries established there are closing down as a result of which workers are being rendered jobÂless. Butibari, the biggest industrial estate in Asia is closing down day by day. We find that such a situation is arising due to non-availability of water and electricity. Mr. Speaker, Sir, 4 thousand Megawatt of electricity is being generated in Vidarbha region which is supplied to Mumbai, Thane and Pune, on the same rate. Noconcessions are being given to entrepreneurs here. A very small amount of loan is given to them and that too is not provided on the right time. Besides, facilities which are being provided in other states, are not being given to these industries. Raw material required by the Public Undertakings is not being procured through the ancillaries. Such an opportunity is not given to these industries. W.C.L. is an undertaking which provides opportunity to outside industries instead of local indusÂtrialists. It should be banned. It is also a cause of closing down of industries. There is an industry, Indorama with a worth of Rs. 4 thousand crores in Butibari. There is an organisation of workers of ruling party which is staging an agitation there. Due to this agitation Indorama industry has been shifted to Aurangabad and Rajasthan. Similarly, Bajaj and Perth India industries are closing in Hingna. 2 lakh people will face the problem of unemÂployment if adequate attention is not paid towards it.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, through you, I would request the Government to intervene in this matter. Hon'ble MinisÂter of Home Affairs is present here. People there are demanding a separate state. Therefore, to honour the

sentiments of the people of that area, i demand that the House should discuss the formation of a separate state for them and justice should be done to us.

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SHRI AJIT JOGI : It means during 'Zero Hour[1], the rule for raising point of order will not apply....*(interruptions)*

SHRI KHARABELA SWAIN (BALASORE) : How can there be a point of order during 'Zero Hour'? The Hon. Speaker has already given ruling several times that there shall be no point of order during ' Zero Hour'. But the Opposition is again persisting in raising the point of order. Shri Ajit Jogi is showing the rule book about point of order. If the point of order is applicable to me, it should also be applicable to Shri Vilas Muttemwar because I am raising the point about the Government of Orissa and Shri Vilas Muttemwar is also raising a point about the Government of Maharashtra.

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